HOUSE BILL 2139

By Pruitt

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 35, Chapter 11, relative to charitable solicitations for catastrophic illnesses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 35-11-111, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

35-11-111.

- (a) It is an offense for any fundraising to occur for the purposes described in §§ 35-11-101 and 35-11-102 in violation of this chapter.
- (b) It is an offense for trust funds raised for the purposes described in §§ 35-11-101 and 35-11-102 to be distributed in violation of this chapter.
 - (c) A violation of subsection (a) or (b) is a Class B misdemeanor.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 35, Chapter 11, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

35-11-113. In addition to any other requirements imposed by law, persons and entities subject to the provisions of this chapter shall also be subject to the record-keeping, inspection, and enforcement provisions, including civil penalties, of §§ 48-101-509, 48-101-511, 48-101-514, and 48-101-520.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.